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II. Remarks

In this Supplemental Amendment, claim 13 is amended and claims 23 - 26, dependent on claim 13, specifying particular characteristics of the HMW HDPE component, are added to better define the invention.

Entry of this Supplemental Amendment, reexamination, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

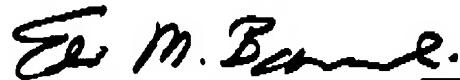


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